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gious rites and ceremonies performed at the Holy City and throughout Palestine, made sacred by Jesus Christ. The charm of his style alone would make the book of value. Numerous photographs and two maps showing the route of the pilgrims complete a work of much interest. WILBUR GREELEY BURROUGHS.

**Reisen und Forschungen im westlichen Kleinasiens.** Von Dr. Alfred Philippson. I. Heft: Einleitung—Das westliche Mysien und die pergamentische Landschaft. 104 pp. II. Heft: Ionien und das westliche Lydien. 100 pp. III. Heft: Das östliche Mysien und die benachbarten Teile von Phrygien und Bithynien. 129 pp. Maps and ills. in each. *Ergänzungshefte Nos. 167, 172 and 177, zu Petermanns Mitteilungen.* Gotha, 1910, 1911, 1913. Mk. 12 each. 11 x 7½ each.

This book is an admirable summary of present geographical and geological knowledge of the extreme western part of Asia Minor. It is a book of travel in the sense that it gives consecutive accounts of the author's many journeys, but it also contains valuable summaries which enable the reader to obtain a general view of the various small districts into which the author divides the country. Professor Philippson has devoted many years to the countries bordering on the Aegean Sea. He is primarily interested in geology, and as he takes the reader from place to place he gives a large amount of geological detail. To this, however, he adds abundant notes on land forms, and a considerable amount of information on crops, products, and various other matters. It is safe to say that from the purely geographical point of view no work has yet been published which gives such full and exact information on this particular part of the Turkish Empire. The region discussed is historically of much importance, for on the borders of its deep fiords, on the floors of its waste-filled valleys, and among the mountainous islands of its coast the ancient Greeks developed their great Ionian civilization. Geologically as well as historically one of the chief problems is the relation of western Asia Minor to the Greek islands and to Greece itself. Professor Philippson shows how the fault system and other structural features of the eastern Aegean extend out into the sea and over toward Greece. One of the most valuable features of his book is an excellent geological map of a region hitherto known but slightly.

ELLSWORTH HUNTINGTON.

**The Holy Land of Asia Minor.** The Seven Cities of the Book of Revelation, their present appearance, their history, their significance, and their message to the church of to-day. By Rev. Francis E. Clark. xx and 154 pp. Charles Scribner's Sons, New York, 1914. \$1. 7½ x 5.

Largely an informing and interesting record of the author's personal experiences and conclusions, especially in the western part of Asia Minor where Paul, Timothy, John, Mark, Irenæus and Polycarp made their toilsome way and where "Christianity received its earliest development as a universal religion."

**A Syrian Pilgrimage.** By John B. Ascham. 203 pp. Ills., index. The Methodist Book Concern, New York, 1914. \$1.25. 7½ x 5.

A clergyman's account of his tour of Palestine in 1913. He had the advantage of making the trip with the American School of Oriental Research. The author's descriptions and impressions are thoughtful and informing. The book has no map of Palestine or plan of Jerusalem, though every reader should have them before him. The author says:

"There is but one way to see Palestine. The tourist who cannot ride horseback and sleep in tents; who cannot suffer thirst, hunger, and fatigue; who is unable to endure extremes of heat, rain, and cold; whose health demands a Western diet—will not be able to obtain a comprehensive view of Syria. There are few carriage roads in Palestine. No adequate impression of the land is obtainable by carriage. The traveler must submit to the inconveniences of a camping tour, or he will return from the Holy Land with partial and misformed conceptions of the country and people."